

Culture at a crossroads? Prisons coming out of COVID

Newbold Revel

Tuesday 20th September 2022

9.15 am registration | 10 am start

Chair: Phil Maguire OBE (Chief Executive, Prison Radio Association)



Sonia Brooks (Governor, HMP Brixton), Shadd Maruna (Professor, Queen's University Belfast), Nina Champion and Nola Sterling (Director, and Project Manager, Criminal Justice Alliance),

Charlie Taylor (Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons),
Gill Attrill (Deputy Director: Insights Group / Prison Reform, HMPPS)

Admission £60. However, as in previous years, we have our 2 for 1 offer.

Voluntary & Community Sector Rate: £35 and students £30 - also 2 for 1 offer.

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For some years the prison service has been working on its culture – a positive culture for staff, and a rehabilitative culture for those in prison. This day of lectures is a chance to ask how this quest is progressing, in the face of the challenges that are all around.

Managing the risks of COVID-19 has been a massive challenge, that demanded centralised guidance and control. As we transition back to the 'new normal', how will we balance control, accountability and autonomy, for prison governors, prison staff and prisoners themselves?

Organisations with a healthy culture encourage innovation and accept that at times things may go wrong. Often it seems that politically, avoiding risks and averting criticism are the priority. What progress in the quest for a learning culture?

The culture of an organisation relies heavily on good leadership, excellent communications of its aims and a shared understanding of those aims. How far is visionary and brave leadership being cultivated at all levels of the service?

Is it still possible to achieve a rehabilitative culture, or is it just another slogan on the shelf?

The purpose of the Perrie Lectures

We want to stimulate dialogue between criminal justice organisations, the voluntary sector and all those with an academic, legal or practical interest in offenders and their families.

We share the belief that through these lectures and the ensuing dialogue, the care of offenders can be improved and penal policy, in its broadest sense, advanced.

The text of the lectures is reproduced in full in the Prison Service Journal.

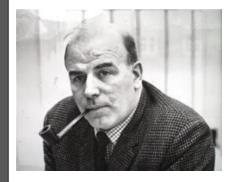
The Perrie Lectures Committee is independent and non-profit.

Bill Perrie

Bill retired from HM Prison Service in 1987 after 32 years of working in prisons, governing HMPs Hull, Long Lartin and Winson Green. A renowned practitioner, Bill contributed much to the development of hostels, working out schemes and regimes for long term prisoners.

In 1986 he attended the first lectures, named after him. He continued to support them right up until 1997. Sadly Bill died on 15th November 1997. He was considered one of the preeminent Governors of his era.

Throughout his career he was ever aware of the essential humanity of his staff and charges. His inspiration and support are greatly missed.



Bill Perrie









"The content was pitched well so that all levels could benefit"

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The Perrie Lectures take place at the Prison Service College, Newbold Revel, near Rugby, Warwickshire. The lectures are held in the auditorium of the College Conference Centre. Free parking is available on site and visitors will be directed on arrival.

How to reach the College (CV23 0TH)

By train to Rugby or Coventry station, then by taxi to Stretton-under-Fosse. By road both the M1 and M6 pass within reasonable travelling distance of the college, which is situated on the B4027 near Stretton-under-Fosse.